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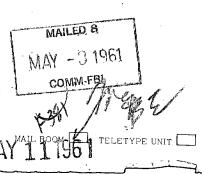
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The information reported by CG 6443-C indicating huge gambling operations carried on in factories and business places opens an avenue which may lead to interesting and significant information as to hoodlum gambling operations. With this in mind, you should exert every effort to develop further information concerning bookmaking at factories and other business places in order that a comprehensive picture of such activities may be developed. You should attempt to establish the connection between the individuals who actually operate these books and their intermediaries who maintain liaison with and carry out the orders of the top-ranking Hoodlum figures who dominate this racket.

This matter should be given immediate and vigorous attention, and the Bureau should be kept closely advised of pertinent developments.

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GUS ALEX, AKA., AR, DAILY SUMMARY. CG SIX FOUR FOUR THREE DASH C
ADVISED THAT ANOTHER FORM OF GAMBLING OPERATIONS WHICH IS NOT
WIDELY KNOWN BUT WHICH BRINGS IN HUGE AMOUTS OF MONEY TO THE CHICAGO
OUTFIT ARE HANDBOOKS WHICH OPERATE IN FACTORIES AND COUNTLESS PLACES
OF BUSINESS. HE ADVISED THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS OPERATING HANDBOOKS
MIGHT WORK FOR THE COMPANY OR FACTORY AS WELL AS OPERATING A
HANDBOOK. HE STATED THAT THE OPERATOR WOULD GET TEN CENTS ON EACH
DOLLAR COLLECTED OF HORSE BETS OR OTHER GAMBLING OR ELSE A PERCENTAGE
OF THE GROSS EARNINGS FROM THE HANDBOOKS. IN THIS REGARD ON APRIL
EIGHT, LAST, AND ARTICLE APPEARING IN CHICAGO SUN TIMES DISCLOSES
THAT IRS AGENTS ABRESTED JOHN PIGNATO, FRANK GAUTHIER, CLYDENLAYTON
AND ROBERT C. TLEMING ON APRIL SEVEN, LAST, IN THE STATE MADISON
BUILDING FOR FAILURE TO PURCHASE WAGER TAX STAMP AND NON PAYMENT OF
TEN PER CENT WAGERING TAX. THIS WAS RESULT OF THESE PEOPLE OPERATING

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A HANDBOOK IN THE STATE MADISON BUILDING WHILE EMPLOYED AND AS

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BERNARD NAGEL, MANAGER OF THE STATE MADISON BUILDING ADVISED THAT PIGNATO, GAUTHIER AND LAYTON WERE SUSPENDED PENDING THE OUTCOME OF PROSECUTIVE ACTION. NAGEL STATED THAT HIS INTERVIEW WITH THESE EMPLOYEEES REVEALED THAT THEY WERE ACTUALLY ACCEPTING HORSE BETS AND FLEMING AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CENTRAL TERMINAL RAILROAD AT THE TIME. EFFORTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE ABOVE PERSONS FOR INTERVIEW. SEVEN TWO DASH C ADVISED THAT SAMMINKUS, OPERATOR OF SPORTS HANDI CAPPING SERVICE KNOWN AS NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS, CHICAGO, HAS BEEN MUSCLED BY THE OUTFIT AND IS PAYING THE OUTFIT BETWEEN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS, PER MONTH. CG SIX TWO SEVEN TWO DASH C STATED THIS INFORMATION IS NOT FROM MINKUS A CLOSE FRIEND OF HIS BUT FROM OTHER INDIVIDUALS. ONE OF WHOM WAS PRESENT IN MINKUS OFFICE WHEN TWO THUGS PHYSICALLY BEAT MINKUS IN ORDER TO SOFTEN HIM UP TO OBTAIN THE PAYOFF TO THE OUTFIT. IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT MINKUS HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN INTERVIEWED AND DENIED EVER BEING MUSCLED OR PAYED ANY MONEY TO THE OUTFIT. HE SAID AT THAT TIME; HE HAD ONLY FOUR ACCOUNTS IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO. THESE BEING SMALL ACCOUNTS. END PAGE TWO

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CG SIX ONE ONE SEVEN DASH C ADVISED THAT GUS ALEX-S NAME IS PROMINENT IN GAMBLING CIRCLES OF THE SOUTH SIDE AS BEING A SYNDICATE HEAD FOR THAT AREA. MARSHALL CAIFANO AND TWO UNSUBS, WHITE MEN, ARE FEARED BY GAMBLERS ON THE SOUTH SIDE AS MUSCLE MEN FOR GUS ALEX. CG SIX ONE ONE SEVEN DASH C ADVISED FAT LAWN WHO FREQUENTS PERSHING HOTEL IS PROMINENT IN THE NUMBERS RACKET. A BOOK IS BEING OPERATED BY JOE MC CULLOGH IN A TAVERN AT ONE ZERO THREE NINE EAST EIGHTY TWO STREET. RAY PAREN LNU EN PAREN AKA., TINY, A BIG FAT ITALIAN MALE, CHRAGULL FORMERLY RESIDENT OF LAKE MEADOWS WITH A COLORED WIFE WAS OPERATING A HANDBOOK AT THE CRANE COMPANY, CHICAGO. JAMES TRVING. OPERATOR OF THE PANAMA LOAN OFFICE AT SIXTY THIRD AND COTTAGE GROVE, WHO CHICAGO ILL DID TIME FOR INCOME TAX EVASION REPORTEDLY HAS SYNDICATE CONNECTIONS, AND COULD FURNISH INFORMATION. ON MAY ONE, SIXTY ONE, JAMES D TRVING ADVISED THAT HE OPERATES A PERSONAL LOAN SERVICES AND THE IRVING MUSIC COMPANY ON COTTAGE GROVE, CHICAGO. IRVING MUSIC COMPANY PAYS DUES TO THE COMMERCIAL PHONOGRAPH SURVEY THROUGH DAN GAINS, A FRIEND OF JAMES D. IRVING. IRVING DENIES SYNDICATE CONNECTIONS OR BEING MUSCLED BY SYNDICATE HOODLUMS, ALTHOUGH ADMITS HAVING DONE TIME WITH SYNDICATE FIGURES. ARMED AND DANGEROUS WITH SUICIDAL TENDENCIES.

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